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## I-35/SH-9 EAST INTERCHANGE PROJECT

Beginning Wednesday, March 18, 2015, the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) contractor, Sherwood Construction Company, will close the I-35 Northbound to Lindsey Street off-ramp. The contractor will be removing the existing curbing between the ramps and the I-35 main line and installing temporary pavement for a future traffic shift. Signs will be placed accordingly to direct the traveling public. Weather permitting, ODOT will finish installing the temporary pavement by early April.

Construction on the I-35/SH-9E and Lindsey Street Interchanges Reconstruction project began on Monday, March 2, 2015. This is a \$72 million construction project awarded to Sherwood Construction Company of Tulsa, Oklahoma. ODOT is administering the construction of this project.

The project involves the following items:

- The new SH-9E modified Interchange will allow large volumes of traffic to negotiate the area.
- SH-9E Project will provide a connection from Ed Noble Parkway to SH-9E
- Replace the existing Lindsey Street interchange with a Single Point Urban Interchange (SPUI). The SPUI will include longer on and off ramps at I-35 and a wider Lindsey Street bridge. The SPUI will allow large volumes of traffic to negotiate the area using a single set of traffic signals mounted at the center of the bridge. This is the second SPUI interchange in Norman and the third in the State of Oklahoma.
- Widen I-35, from the Canadian River Bridge to ½ mile south of Main street, from four to six lanes
- Three new bridges will be constructed to vertically separate the on and off ramps from I-35 to SH-9E and Lindsey Street

Additional questions may be directed to Mr. John Clink, Capital Projects Manager, City of Norman, Department of Public Works, at 366-5424 or John.Clink@NormanOK.gov.